

State of California  
Department of Parks and Recreation

**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

**TO:** Office of Planning and Research  
1400 Tenth Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**FROM:** Department of Parks and Recreation  
Central Valley District  
22708 Broadway Street  
Columbia, CA 95310

**PROJECT TITLE:** Install Three Temporary Meteorological Wind Data Gathering Devices and One Sodar Unit

**LOCATION:** Pacheco State Park

**COUNTY:** Merced

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:** Install three 92.5 feet high temporary met-towers (meteorological wind data gathering devices) and one sodar unit at Pacheco State Park to measure wind speed, direction, and duration. Work will install 4 guy wires per met-tower by either using a screw-in anchor or if ground is not conducive to screw-in method then excavate a 2' diameter hole, install rebar into bedrock using a hammer drill & sledge. Sodar unit is a portable trailer that will be moved around to collect wind data. All work will be completed by Lessee and towers/sodar unit will remain up for up to one year. .

**PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT:** California Department of Parks and Recreation

**NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT:** Central Valley District

**EXEMPT STATUS:**

☒ Categorical Exemption

Class: 3, 4, & 6      Section: 15303, 15304, & 15306

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** Project consists of construction & location of limited numbers of new structures; minor private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees; basic data collection which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource.

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